

FSS Program Response Form

Please complete this brief response form so that we are able to assist you more promptly.
Thank You

What is Your Current Income Status

- Currently No Income
- Welfare/TANF/SSI
- Currently Employed

What is Your Goal for the Program

- Homeownership
- Full-Time Employment
- Supportive Services

What is Your Interest Level

- Very Interested
- Somewhat Interested
- Not At This Time

How Were You Made Aware of The Program

- Newsletter
- Brochure
- Staff/Other Resident

Comments:

Name

Address

Phone Number

Steps To Join



1. Attend an FSS Orientation
2. Complete an Application & Pre-Enrollment Form
3. Develop an Action Plan with the Assistance of an FSS Coordinator
4. Sign the FSS Contract of Participation
5. Implement Your FSS Action Plan
6. Monitor, Evaluate and Modify the Action Plan as Appropriate
7. Seek and Maintain Suitable Employment
8. Successfully Complete the FSS Program!
9. Encourage Someone Else to do the Same!

To find out more contact

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What is Family Self-Sufficiency?

Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) is a voluntary program established in January 1992. Its purpose is to assist families receiving rental public housing assistance a chance to improve their economic situation and reduce their dependence on public assistance and welfare. Only families who are receiving rental assistance through the Public Housing program are qualified to apply for the program. This program is for individuals who are unemployed/underemployed who want to increase their income and who are willing to commit to changing their lives.

Who is Eligible

The FSS program is open to all Public Housing participants who are:

- Willing to seek and maintain employment
- Interested in developing a plan to direct goals
- Determined and committed to become free from government assistance.
- In good standing with Public Housing (follow all regulations)

Support Services Available

Eligible families are connected to the appropriate support services and resources in their communities that are needed to move the family toward economic independence. FSS Services include: transportation, child-care, GED, Job Training, Budgeting and many more.

Incentives

FSS participants are eligible for an FSS escrow account. This is a savings account set up in your name by the Housing Authority. Monthly deposits are made to the account when you report an increase in your earned income that increases your rent amount. FSS participants who are employed and free from cash welfare assistance for twelve (12) months will receive the balance in the escrow account upon completion of the FSS program. Completion of the program consists of all goals being met, being employed full-time thirty-two (32) hours at a rate able to keep a family from welfare aid and no one in household receive any welfare cash benefits for 12 consecutive months prior to the end of the contract.

Escrow Account

Your Total Tenant Payment (TTP) is \$50.00/month. You get a job and your TTP becomes \$100.00/month. Because you are in FSS, that \$50.00 increase is credited to your escrow savings account!

Example:

Total Tenant Payment	\$100.00
After Income Increase	-
Original Total Tenant Payment	\$50.00
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Monthly Escrow	\$50.00

Add Up The SAVINGS

After graduation you can use your funds for home-ownership, paying off debt, buying a car or anything else you'll like!

